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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants : Vandervorst, et al.

App. No. : 10/091,226

Filed : February 28, 2002

For : METHOD AND APPARATUS  
FOR PERFORMING ATOMIC  
FORCE MICROSCOPY  
MEASUREMENTS

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- (X) An executed Declaration by Inventors.
- (X) A Power of Attorney Form and Copy of Assignment.
- (X) A Notice to File Missing Parts.
- (X) Return prepaid postcard.

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Basic Fee			\$740	\$740
Total Claims	24 - 20 =	4 ×	\$18	\$ 72
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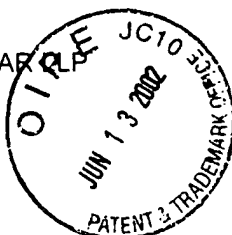


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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

## Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 740 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).*
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$324.
  - \$72 for 4 total claims over 20.
  - \$252 for 3 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 1194.**

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